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IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for practising practicing golf shots, comprising:

a body portion;

a first adjustment <u>mechanism</u> means which is adapted to vary for varying the height of the body portion at a first point;

a second adjustment <u>mechanism</u> means which is adapted to vary <u>for varying</u> the height of the body portion at a second point.

- 2. (Cancelled)
- 3. (Currently Amended) Apparatus as claimed in claim 1-or claim 2, wherein the body portion comprises a putting portion over which a ball is adapted to travel and preferably a stance-board to support the user, wherein the stance-board is placeable at any side of the putting portion.
- 4. (Cancelled)
- 5. (Currently Amended) Apparatus as claimed in claim 3 or claim 4, wherein the stance board and the putting portion both have adjustment mechanisms means.
- 6. (Currently Amended) Apparatus as claimed in claim 5, wherein the stance board has at least four adjustment <u>mechanisms</u> means with at least four of the adjustment <u>mechanisms</u> means being provided at different points.
- 7. (Currently Amended) Apparatus as claimed in <u>claim 3</u> any one of claims 3 to 6, wherein the putting portion comprises comprising a support portion and a contacting portion, and in use, the contacting portion is provided over the support portion and contacts a golf ball, wherein the support portion comprises a plurality of support portion

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panels, each support portion panel supporting a part of the contacting portion and being connectable to at least one adjacent support portion panel by engagement mechanisms.

- 8. (Cancelled)
- 9. (Cancelled)
- 10. (Currently Amended) Apparatus as claimed in <u>claim 3</u> any one of claims 3 to 9, wherein the putting portion has at least four pairs of adjustment <u>means</u> <u>mechanisms</u> and as such at least eight different points that are variable in height.
- 11. (Currently Amended) Apparatus as claimed in claim 10, wherein the putting portion is made from a material flexible enough to be able to form a slope between the points of the adjustment mechanism means when the vertical heights at the points are different, but rigid enough such that it does not sag between the points when the vertical height at the points are equal.
- 12. (Currently Amended) Apparatus as claimed in <u>claim 3</u> any one of claims 3 to 11, wherein at least two apertures are provided in the putting portion, the apertures being sized to receive golf balls.
- 13. (Currently Amended) Apparatus as claimed in claim 12, wherein a holder is provided under said apertures, the holder being adapted to hold golf balls therein, wherein the holder is formed integrally with the putting portion.
- 14. (Cancelled)
- 15. (Currently Amended) Apparatus as claimed in either claim 13 or 14, wherein in use, the distance between the stance-board and the apertures is variable.
- 16. (Cancelled)

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17. (Cancelled)

18. (Currently Amended) Apparatus as claimed in <u>claim 1</u> any preceding claim, wherein each of the first and second adjustment <u>mechanisms</u> means comprises spacers which are adapted to be joined or stacked together to space the body portion away from a resting surface.

- 19. (Currently Amended) Apparatus as claimed in claim 18, wherein the spacers comprise a base portion and an engagement <u>mechanisms</u> means, the engagement <u>mechanisms</u> means being adapted to engage with corresponding engagement <u>mechanisms</u> means provided on the body portion.
- 20. (Currently Amended) Apparatus as claimed in claim 19, wherein the engagement mechanism means comprises a rib and slot.
- 21. (Currently Amended) Apparatus as claimed in claim 20, wherein the rib is adapted to be orientated to engages with the slot or alternatively to prevents it from engaging with the slot in order to vary the vertical height of the body portion.
- 22. (Currently Amended) Apparatus as claimed in claim 19, wherein the engagement mechanism means is a conical portion provided on the each spacer.
- 23. (Cancelled)